

accorded there was no strong pressure on the Senate and Representatives to pass the tariff bill. While the official business of the War Department was being handled by Secretary Dickinson's regular staff, the last session from Representative James McLaughlin, of Los Angeles, really played into the hands of the tariff enthusiasts by withholding the reply contained in it generally conceded at the Capitol that a "war scare" is a failure.

This method of "jacking up" Congress started soon after the Spanish war. It is hardly a secret that President Roosevelt looked on approvingly while the fear of the country as to foreign aggression were shrewdly played upon. The alarming stories were invariably given in the background of some international incident, but were worked up to a fresh climax about the time members were gathered around the mahogany table of the House Naval Affairs Committee.

The German war scare was one of the very first to do duty in this fashion. There was a decided feeling in the House that the German fleet was a threat to the United States. The German fleet was a threat to the United States. The German fleet was a threat to the United States.

After the Russo-Japanese war came the "yellow peril" and the trouble with the Japanese pupils in San Francisco schools. The changes were rung out on the danger of Japanese aggression in the Pacific, and undoubtedly prompted Congress to vote tens upon tens of millions which it otherwise would not have done. The Navy has made progress toward modern armament in the Pacific is well advanced and Congress is annually voting very large sums for the construction of new battleships and for the great naval station at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii.

The war scares have hitherto been essentially Navy affairs. The Navy has benefited therefrom more than the Army. But the latest output was essentially an Army matter, which encourages the advocates of the tariff. The tariff is a source of revenue for the Army. The tariff is a source of revenue for the Army.

Thus far Congress refuses to take any stock in the fact that a foreign army could easily land on the Pacific coast, march in behind our coast defenses, capture the guns, and hold the country. The tariff is a source of revenue for the Army. The tariff is a source of revenue for the Army.

Senators and Representatives who have to vote the money for military preparations say it would be impossible for any country to get to the Pacific, or even to arrive anywhere upon the Pacific Coast before our ships of war would be on hand and blow the transports to pieces. The tariff is a source of revenue for the Army. The tariff is a source of revenue for the Army.

CABINET AND CONGRESS.

The Secretaries Having a Hard Time Getting Their Appropriations.

Half a dozen of President Taft's Cabinet will offer up fervent thanks when the last word has been said in making up appropriations for this year. It is becoming more and more difficult to persuade Congress to vote the funds. No one of the Cabinet realizes this more than Secretary of the Navy, Mr. D. S. Taft.

It is not altogether his fault that the expenses for the maintenance of the Navy have increased by leaps and bounds and that Congress has been growing constantly more critical and obdurate. The ordeal for him and his bureau chiefs has now been in progress quite two weeks in the House Committee on Naval Affairs. It will continue several weeks into the New Year. There is a full-sized row between that committee and the Navy Department. The Navy Department is determined to get its appropriations. The Navy Department is determined to get its appropriations.

It looks now as though the real problems with which the Secretary is grappling will not be settled this winter, as far as the action of Congress is required to bring about a settlement. With respect to the Navy, the House Republicans are suggesting that these matters be passed along to the Democrats. They do not seem quite ready to pass an appropriation bill upon the things the Secretary is doing and may decide to give him another year in which to try out his reorganization of the bureau and the navy yards. This will not be comfortable for the Secretary, who next year will have to address his appeal to a Democratic House. The Secretary of War, Mr. Dickinson, is having his troubles with the House Committee on Appropriations. The Secretary of War, Mr. Dickinson, is having his troubles with the House Committee on Appropriations.

Postmaster-General Hitchcock likewise has an annual unpleasantness with the House Committee on Postoffices and Postroads, and this year is no exception. He and Chairman Weeks do not dispose of their business with any uproarious cordiality. The committee does not credit altogether Mr. Hitchcock's claims to having effected economies. So it runs through nearly the entire list of appropriation bills. Nevertheless, the House committees are making unusual progress in their work. The tariff bill will probably be completed this year in very good time.

THE TARIFF ISSUE.

Both Sides Playing for Position. Preparing for a Big Tariff Battle Next Year—A Tariff Commission May or May Not Be Authorized.

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DOINGS IN CONGRESS.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF NAVAL VETERANS.

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REUNIONS HELD.

A Joint Reunion. The tariff issue has been flaring into prominence at the Capitol. It is already under discussion in the House and the Senate.

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